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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of April 12, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.